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In re Application of

Curtis Priem

Application No. 10/772,195

: DECISION GRANTING PETITION Filed: February 3, 2004 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD OF DETECTING:

ROTATED DISPLAYS

This is in response to the "Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(b)," filed July 9, 2004 (Certificate of Mailing Date: July 6, 2004).

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, the declaration of Richard Domingo establishes that the inventor was mailed the application papers, including the specification, claims and drawings, but has refused the request that he sign the declaration. In addition, petitioner has shown that NVIDIA Corporation (NVIDIA) has a proprietary interest in the aboveidentified application with the copy of the "Proprietary Information and Inventions Agreement" showing that the inventor had an obligation to assign any patent rights to NVIDIA. The petition fee has been paid. Lastly, petitioner has submitted a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 and demonstrated that petitioner has shown that such action is necessary to prevent irreparable damage.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(b), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the Declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703)306-9200.

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